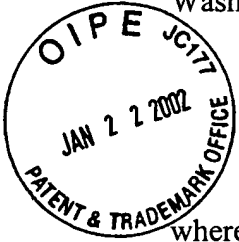


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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a)

This is a petition for leave to perfect the filing of this application by eight joint inventors where three of the inventors have not executed the inventor's declaration despite repeated attempts to get each of them to sign.

This patent application (the application) was filed May 2, 2001, in the names of Daniell Stevens, Robert Roth, Joel M. Gould, Michael J. Newman, Dean Sturtevant, Charles E. Ingold, David Abrahams, and Allan Gold. The combined inventors' declaration and power of attorney document (the declaration) filed with this petition was signed by Daniell Stevens, Joel M. Gould, Michael J. Newman, Charles E. Ingold, and Allan Gold. However, the declaration was not signed by Robert Roth, Dean Sturtevant, and David Abrahams. The declaration made by Daniell Stevens, Joel M. Gould, Michael J. Newman, Charles E. Ingold, and Allan Gold is made on their own behalf and on behalf of Robert Roth, Dean Sturtevant, and David Abrahams in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a).

In the accompanying declaration, Patri J. Pugliese declares that Robert Roth, Dean Sturtevant, and David Abrahams were sent copies of the application and the declaration, were asked to sign the declaration, and failed to do so.

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A check in the amount of \$130.00 for the required fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h) accompanies this petition. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

In view of the foregoing, and the attached declarations, it is submitted that this application satisfies the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) and should be considered duly made and granted the status of a duly filed application as of the original filing date stated above.

Respectfully submitted,

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